



**JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
August 28, 2019  
MINUTES**

County Officials Present: Councilwoman Barbara Clark, Vice-Chairman Henry Etheridge and Councilman Dr. Curtis Brantley

County Staff Present: Administrator Andrew Fulghum, Attorney David Tedder, Planning and Building Director Lisa Wagner, Tisha L. Williams

Call to Order – Vice-Chairman Etheridge called the meeting to order at 6:08 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance – Vice-Chairman Etheridge led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation – Councilman Brantley gave the invocation.

Approval of Agenda – Vice-Chairman Etheridge made a request and Councilwoman Clark seconded the motion to reverse the agenda. The Motion passed to approve the reversal of the Agenda with all Councilmembers present voting in favor.

**Ordinances**

Lisa Wagner – Consideration of 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance to amend Chapter 6, Article IV of the Jasper County Code of Ordinances, Entitled Jasper County Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance so as to adopt certain changes in the National Flood Insurance Program mandated by the Department of Homeland Security – FEMA, National Flood Insurance Program; to increase ease of permitting and enforcement; and to incorporate map, technical and language modernization in the Jasper County Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance

Flood Insurance Ordinance – Ms. Wagner advised Council that new flood maps are going in effect October 18, 2019 and the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) have reviewed the new Flood Insurance Program with would place properties that were originally in Flood Zone “C” to Flood Zone “A”. Residents who did not receive a Notice from Jasper County Planning and Building Services are in good standing without a change to their zone. The only change that would need to be made to the Ordinance would be (3) dates and a few words. The Public Hearing and 2<sup>nd</sup>

Reading would be held at the September 16, 2019 Council Meeting and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading would be held at the October 7, 2019 Council Meeting in order to meet FEMA guidelines.

Councilman Brantley made a motion to amend the Ordinance and Councilwoman Clark seconds. All in favor, Motion Approved.

A motion was made for this meeting to enter into Executive Session by Councilman Brantley, Councilwoman Clark seconds. All Councilmembers present in favor. Council enters Executive Session at 6:35PM

#### Executive Session

SECTION 30-4-70. Meetings which may be closed; procedure; circumvention of chapter; disruption of meeting; executive sessions of General Assembly

(a) A public body may hold a meeting closed to the public for one or more of the following reasons:

1. Discussion of employment, appointment, compensation, promotion, demotion, discipline, or release of an employee, a student, or a person regulated by a public body or the appointment of a person to a public body; however, if an adversary hearing involving the employee or client is held, the employee or client has the right to demand that the hearing be conducted publicly. Nothing contained in this item shall prevent the public body, in its discretion, from deleting the names of the other employees or clients whose records are submitted for use at the hearing. – Clerk to Council

Council returns to Regular Session at 6:48pm

Executive Session – Councilwoman Clark moved to terminate the employment and appointment of Amanda Steinmeyer as Clerk to County Council, effective immediately, and to authorize the administration to provide her the required separation information as is given to Jasper County Employees. (and to authorize the administration to provide (1) weeks pay as severance). Councilman Brantley seconds the motion with Vice-Chairman Etheridge opposed.

Councilwoman Clark moved to appoint Tisha Williams as Acting Clerk to Council, such appointment to be effective immediately, upon the terms of compensation as discussed in executive session, with such appointment to remain in effect until further action of County Council. Councilman Brantley seconds the motion to appoint Tisha Williams as Acting Clerk to Council with all Councilmembers present voting favor.

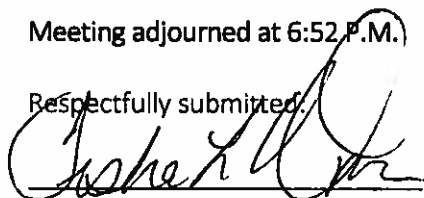
Councilwoman Clark moved to direct the Administrator and his staff to advertise in due course for a period of at least two weeks, and the employment position of Clerk to Council, using the previously Council approved job

description. Councilman Brantley seconds the motion for the Administrator and his staff to advertise with all Councilmembers present voting in favor.

**Adjourn** – A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilwoman Clark, with Councilman Brantley seconding the motion.

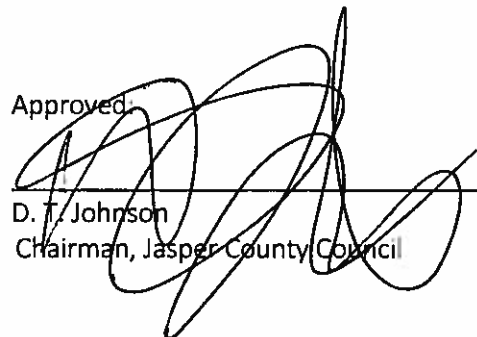
**Meeting adjourned at 6:52 P.M.)**

Respectfully submitted,



Tisha L. Williams  
Acting Clerk to Council

Approved:



D. T. Johnson  
Chairman, Jasper County Council